

Exhibit A



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Re: Approved Emissions Modification: Generation 2 Passenger Cars of the 3.0 Liter Subject Vehicles

To Whom It May Concern:

Appendix B of the 3.0 liter (3.0L) Partial Consent Decree¹ entered on May 17, 2017 establishes how Defendants shall submit Proposed Emissions Modifications, and how the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the California Air Resources Board (CARB) will approve or disapprove any such proposal that Defendants choose to submit. The EPA and CARB have been working with Defendants for many months to evaluate a potential remedy to reduce the NOx pollution from these vehicles. Over these months, Defendants have provided, and the agencies have reviewed, a significant amount of files, data, and materials in support of a

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Proposed Emissions Modification for Test Groups EADXJ03.04UG, FVGAJ03.0NU4 and GVGAJ03.0NU4 (collectively Generation 2 Passenger Cars) covering model years 2014-2016 Audi A6 Quattro, A7 Quattro, A8, A8L and Q5 diesel vehicles.

After thoroughly reviewing these materials, including examining and evaluating test data, software descriptions and files, onboard diagnostic system functionality, durability demonstration results, auxiliary emission control device (AECD) descriptions, consumer disclosures, extended warranty plans, and various statements of compliance therein; and after EPA and CARB conducting extensive testing of four vehicles equipped with the Proposed Emissions Modifications; and based upon the certifications of the Defendants that the materials submitted are true, correct and complete, the EPA and CARB have determined that the Proposed Emissions Modification as described by the entirety of Defendants' submissions satisfy the terms and conditions set forth in Appendix B of the 3.0L Partial Consent Decree. Thus, the EPA and CARB hereby approve Defendants' Proposed Emissions Modification for Test Groups EADXJ03.04UG, FVGAJ03.0NU4 and GVGAJ03.0NU4 covering model years 2014-2016 Audi A6 Quattro, A7 Quattro, A8, A8L and Q5 diesel vehicles.

Defendants remain obligated to fulfill all other requirements set forth in Appendix B including, but not limited to, the Final OBD Demonstration Data, Continued Compliance, Extended Warranty, Defeat Device Prohibition, and any other applicable regulatory requirements. Any failure of terms, conditions and regulatory requirements shall be subject to stipulated penalties as specified in the Consent Decree.

Defendants shall, within ten days of the date of this approval, provide all Eligible Owners and Eligible Lessees with notice that the Emissions Modifications for Test Groups EADXJ03.04UG, FVGAJ03.0NU4 and GVGAJ03.0NU4 of the 3.0 Liter Subject Vehicles is available, pursuant to the terms, and in accordance with the requirements of Appendix A and Appendix B of the 3.0L Partial Consent Decree.

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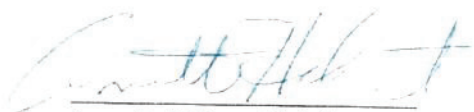


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